

Remarks:

The application is now believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the examiner believe a discussion would expedite the prosecution of this application, the examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at the phone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert N. Carpenter", is written over a horizontal line.

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MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please correct the title on page one

--Method for Automatically Storing and Reprocessing Patient Specimen[']s in an
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